may be sustained by persons living on the lines of the several rail roads passing through the State of Maryland;

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Polk,

Referred to a select committee composed of Messrs. Calvert, Kilgour, Hollyday, of Kent, Stansbury, of Balt. city, Freeman, Ford, of St. Mary's and Yellott.

Mr. Sprigg, of Prince George's, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Prince George's county, praying the passage of an act prohibiting free negroe carpenter,s from exercising their trade in said county;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Grievances

and Courts of Justice.

Mr. Ford, of St. Mary's, presented a petition of sundry citizens of St. Mary's county, praying the passage of an act to authorise the commissioners of said county, to sell the jail in Leonard town;

Mr. Ford, of St. Mary's also, presented a memorial of sundry citizens of St. Mary's county, counter to said petition for, selling the jail of said county;

Which were severally read and referred to the Saint Mary's

county delegation.

The Speaker laid before the House a report from the clerk of Queen Anne's county court, and the registers of wills of Somerset and Talbot counties, in obedience to the order of the House of Delegates of the 29th ult.;

Which were severally read and referred to the committee on

Ways and Means.

On motion of Mr. Gallagher,

Leave was granted the Baltimore city delegation, to bring in a bill to authorise H. Allen Taylor, of the city of Baltimore, to bring into this State certain slaves therein mentioned.

On motion of Mr. Muse,

Leave was granted the Dorchester county delegation, to bring in a bill in relation to the payment of license money on Billiard tables, so far as Dorchester county is concerned.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave was granted the Anne Arundel county delegation, to bring in a bill to allow James Morris and Milton Welch, further time to complete their collections.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave was granted the committee on Inspections, to bring in a bill relating to the inspection of lumber in the city of Annapo-

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Leave was granted the Anne Arundel county delegation, to bring in a bill supplementary to an act to change the commencement of the March term of the court of Howard District of Anne Arundel county.